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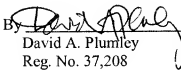
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the February 9, 2009 final action, the examiner indicated that claims 6, 7, and 9-18 are allowed, and that claim 5 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. In response, applicant has amended claim 1 to include all limitations of claim 5, and has cancelled claims 2, 4, 5, and 19. Claim 3 has been amended to depend from allowable claim 1, and all claims have been carefully reviewed and amended for clarity. No new matter has been added. Applicant submits that all remaining claims are allowable.

In addition, with this response, applicant has submitted an Information Disclosure Statement and a corresponding Form PTO/SB/08A/B disclosing a reference that was erroneously omitted from the previous response. Applicant asks that these reference be considered, and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08A/B be returned with the next communication.

Claims 1, 3, 6-18, and 20 remain in this application. Applicant submits that pursuant to the amendments set forth above, all claims are now allowable. However, if there are any remaining issues that can best be addressed by telephone, the examiner is asked to contact applicant's counsel at the telephone number below.

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